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SUBJ: NATO INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT - ADDITIONAL SAFETY MEASURES

FOR LORAN "A" STATION JAN MAYEN

REF: NATO DOCUMENT AC/4(PP)D/10,702.

1. AT ITS MEETING ON 7 MAR 74 THE P&P COMMITTEE CONSIDERED A REQUEST BY NORWAY FOR AUTHORIZATION TO UNDERTAKE SUBJECT PROJECT.

2. NATO INTERNATIONAL STAFF COMMENTS ON THIS PROJECT, AS REFLECTED IN ANNEX II TO REF INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION: QUOTE. PARA 2. ITEMS 1(C) AND 1(H) AND ITEMS 3 AND 4 OF THE REQUEST HAVE BEEN CONSTRUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF REPORT ON THE PREFINANCING STATEMENT (REF (A)), AND ARE SUPPORTED IN PRINCIPLE. HOWEVER, ITEM 1(I), THE "GROUND-TO-AIR COMMUNICATIONS" IN THE AMOUNT OF IAU 3,000 IS NOT CONSIDERED AS ELIGIBLE FOR INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING SINCE THIS IS A DIRECT REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING EQUIPMENT WITH NO UPWARD DEVIATION OF THE OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENT. THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF CONSIDERS THAT THIS SHOULD BE

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A USER NATION CHARGE. MOST OF THESE FACILITIES WERE COMPLETED BY DECEMBER 1972. A COST SHARING HAS BEEN PROPOSED (IN VIEW OF THE CO-LOCATION WITH HOST NATION AND USER NATION (UNITED STATES) FACILITIES) IN THE PROPORTION 1/3 NATO, 1/2 USER NATION AND 1/6 HOST NATION.

PARA 3. THE COMMITTEE'S ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO DOCUMENT, REFERENCE (C), WHERE IT IS STATED THAT THE SACLANT REQUIREMENT FOR THE ATLANTIC CHAINS, INCLUDING JAN MAYEN, WOULD CEASE AT THE LATEST IN 1975. THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF CONSIDERS THAT ALTHOUGH THE NATO OPERATIONAL USE OF THE STATION WOULD ONLY BE FOR THREE YEARS OF THE LIFE OF THE CONSTRUCTED WORKS, AND EVEN IF THE INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE RULE THAT THE FACILITIES SHOULD BE DELETED FROM THE NATO INVENTORY, THAT THE PROPOSED COST SHARING IS FAIR AND REASONABLE SINCE THE WORKS WOULD HAVE

BEEN NECESSARY WITH OR WITHOUT CO-LOCATION. THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF HAS RECOMMENDED TO THE INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE THAT THE SITE BE HELD IN RESERVE AFTER 1975 AND THAT ALL THE FACILITIES EXCEPT THE LORAN ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT (WHICH IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS REQUEST) SHOULD BE RETAINED ON A "MINIMUM CARE AND MAINTENANCE BASIS". AS REGARDS THE AIRSTRIP IMPROVEMENT PHASE II, ITEM 2, THIS ITEM WAS NOT PROGRAMMED AND WAS CONSIDERED BY SACLANT AS EXCEEDING THE MINIMUM MILITARY REQUIREMENT, THEREFORE THE STAFF CANNOT RECOMMEND ITS AUTHORIZATION. UNQUOTE.

3. SACLANT REPRESENTATIVE CONFIRMED THAT THE WORKS AS SCREENED NET ONLY THE MINIMUM MILITARY REQUIREMENT.

4. P&P COMMITTEE ACCEPTED NIS REC WORKS AS SCREENED. BECAUSE OF US COST SHARE INVOLVED, US MADE AUTHORIZATION SUBJECT TO US CONFIRMATION. REQUEST ADVISE WHETHER PROPOSED COST SHARING IS ACCEPTABLE, INCLUDING PROPOSED USER FUNDING FOR COMMUNICATIONS, ITEM 1.I APPENDIX 2 TO ANNEX I OF REF.RUMSFELD

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